Assassination Records Review Board

600 E Street NW ▪ Second Floor ▪ Washington, DC 20530

June 21, 1995

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, I am writing to inform you that the Assassination Records Review Board has made its first formal determinations concerning the public disclosure of executive branch records.

Enclosed is a list of the determinations that the Review Board has made and a summary of the reasons for those determinations.

You are invited to send your representative to the Review Board to examine our copies of the documents for which determinations have been made to discuss the determinations with my staff.

Sincerely yours,

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Executive Director

Enclosure
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Notice of Formal Determinations by the
JFK Assassination Records Review Board

On June 7, 1995, the JFK Assassination Records Review Board made its first formal determinations to release records under the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992. The Review Board's initial decisions were made on sixteen documents that had been created by the Central Intelligence Agency. A summary of the Board's determinations appears on page two of this notice. In all instances, the majority of the information in the records previously had been released by CIA, although certain information continued to be redacted. These documents principally relate to the opening of Lee Harvey Oswald's 201 file and to certain issues related to Oswald's visit to Mexico City.

All of the CIA's proposed redactions were based upon one of two provisions in the JFK Act that permit the postponement of the release of information that: (a) would reveal "an intelligence agent whose identity currently requires protection," or (b) would reveal "an intelligence source or method which is currently utilized" and the disclosure of which "would interfere with the conduct of intelligence activities." After careful review of the documents and the evidence supplied by CIA, the Review Board voted unanimously to release the records in their entirety without redaction.

The Review Board's decisions were premised on several factors including: (a) the significant historical interest in the documents in question inasmuch as they relate to core issues surrounding the CIA's records relating to Lee Harvey Oswald; (b) the absence of evidence that the release of the information would cause harm to the United States; and (c) the lack of evidence that the release of the information would cause harm to the persons whose names (or pseudonyms) are being revealed.

The Review Board made no other formal determinations.

Meeting Date: 06/07/95

Agency: CIA

Determinations:

Record Number	Status	Releases	Next Review Date
104-10007-10037	Open in Full	18	n/a
104-10007-10040	Open in Full	7	n/a
104-10007-10043	Open in Full	3	n/a
104-10007-10046	Open in Full	6	n/a
104-10007-10195	Open in Full	1	n/a
104-10008-10109	Open in Full	10	n/a
104-10015-10052	Open in Full	4	n/a
104-10015-10093	Open in Full	12	n/a
104-10015-10153	Open in Full	5	n/a
104-10015-10154	Open in Full	8	n/a
104-10015-10165	Open in Full	6	n/a
104-10015-10181	Open in Full	7	n/a
104-10050-10002	Open in Full	3	n/a
104-10050-10077	Open in Full	1	n/a
104-10054-10023	Open in Full	12	n/a
104-10054-10204	Open in Full	2	n/a